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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Carlos F. Navarro, et al.

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Examiner:

Meoghan E. MacPherson

Title:

Self-Ligating Lingual Orthodontic Bracket

MAIL STOP AF Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

## Response Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

In response to the Final Office Action mailed September 13, 2006, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider the rejection of the claims.